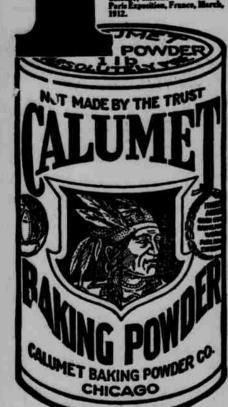
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## RAILROAD

Data About Railroad Ownership Furnished by B. C. Forbes.

American Lines Owned by 34 Million Stockholders.

## LARGE PER CENT ARE WOMEN

Millions of People Unconsciously Have Interests at Heart.

Other Items of General Interest in the Traffic World.

(By B. C. Forbes.)

New York, Dec. 3.—Who are the real owners of America's railroads?

Let me try to answer that question, as promised in a previous article, "An A B C of America's Railroads," which gave full data on the number of workers employed by our railroads, the amount spent directly in wages, the sums spent for materials, for taxes, for dividends, etc.

The railroads of the United States are not owned by the Rockefellers, the Morgans, the Bakers, the Stillmans, the Schiffs, the Carnegles, the Goulds, the Speyers, the Vanderbilts, the Hills, the Harrimans.

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When the government, the interstate commerce commission, state public service commissions, state public or the public injure the railroads they hurt these multi-millionaires much less than they hurt you.

You are probably part owner of the country's railroad system.

You may be drawing profits from railroading without knowing it.

Or you may be deriving other benefits from railroad securities through channels you never suspected.

Let us first deal with direct owners of railroad securities.

Hanks cannot pay you interest if they do not earn it.

Then, roughly speaking, we are all either part owners of our railroads or affected in some way by the good or ill fortune of the railroads?

Yes, that is the only deduction that can be drawn from the facts and figures here presented.

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What have the railroads of the

United States cost to create?

About twenty billion—the interstate commerce commission cost brought up to June, 1906, was \$14,570,421,478.

Who have supplied this vast amount of capital?

Mullions of home and foreign invest

of capital?

Millions of home and foreign investors, millions of citizens who have paid
premiums to insurance companies, millions of depositors in savings banks,
millons of persons having accounts in
banks, trust companies and other ininstitutions. nstitutions.

How many stockholders are there in

How many stockholders are there in American railroads today?
Complete official returns are not obtainable but for many years I have compiled figures supplied me by the principal railroads. Last year 76 roads, with a stock capitalization of \$5.489,—15.2616, reported 477,458 stockholders. On this basis a grand total of 750,000. this basis a grand total of 750,000 stockholders (exclusive entirely of bondholders) would seem to be a rea-

Is the average number of shares with the average is 115 shares.

No; the average is 115 shares.

Are many persons of modest means holders of railroad shares?

Yes, and the number is constantly increasing. The Pennsylvania railroad alone has 20,000 stockholders owning less than ten shares each. All directors and employees combined own less than one-twentieth of the company's stock. Are nearly all stockholders men?

No-emphatically no. The Pennsylvania has nearly 45,000 women stockholders; almost half the New Haven's 22,500 stockholders are women, and other large companies carry thousands of women on their list of stockholders. A substantial per cent of these women are widows, dependent upon the income for their own and their children's living.

our leading railroads?

Here are the latest official figures, supplied me by the head of each com-

Name of Road         Stockholder           Pennsylvania         90,000           Canadian Pacific         53,000           Santa Fe         38,000           Union Pacific         27,090           New York Central         25,060           Southern Pacific         23,000           New Haven         22,500	Name of Road-	Stockholder
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ed, but information may be obtained before long through the income tax Are there more bonds than stocks

outstanding?
About the same—in round figures, \$10 billion of each.
Are the bonds also widely distributed?

Yes, and becoming more so every year.

Who are the largest ewners of railroad bonds?

Well, insurance companies hold upwards of \$1,500,000,000, savings banks have nearly \$1 billion, universities and colleges are heavily endowed with bonds, hospitals derive a substantial share of their income from these investments, estates left in trust for the benefit of widows, minors, etc., are largely invested in bonds.

How many insurance policy holders are there in this country?

Approximately 30,000,000, each of whom is concerned in having the solvency of our railroads maintained.

And how many saving bank depositors?

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More than ten million, all dependent to some extent for their interest pay-ments on the profits earned by the railroads. If the railroads do not earn interest on their bonds they cannot pay interest on them, and savings banks cannot pay you interest if they do not earn it.

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"A pretty town and a clean one," Mrs. Ripley said to her husband as he rejoined her in the observation end of the car.

"Yes," Mr. Ripley replied, "an enterprising line here. It is a small city, but modern; has street paving, a white way and all that sort of thing. The Kansas rule is for good towns. There is scarcely an exception to it."

A trainman overheard the conversation and related it to a friend, who told the editor of the Osage Free Press.

later. C. P. Moss, head of the local firm, im-

mediately sent messages of inquiry to Densmore, and found that no firm of Bell Brothers was known there. How-ever it was learned that cars corre-sponding to the numbers given by Bell

had been shipped. They were sent to the Baker-Crowell Grain company and to the Hall-Baker Grain company of Kansas City.

Later Bell returned to the office and renewed his demand for \$5,000. When refused he asked for the bills of lading. Having spent several dollars in making inquiries, the Moss company refused to give them up. Bell then departed, saying he would return, but since then he has not been seen. The police were notified.

the incoming train was seen to be approaching her and bystanders called to her to stay back. Apparently confused by the close approach of the train and the shouted instructions of these nearby, she stepped squarely in front of the engine. Death was instantaneous.

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Junction City, Kan., Dec. 2.—The big-

AN AUTO FUNERAL.

Scandia, Kan., Dec. 3.-Mrs. J. R. Shivers, an old settler of Republic county, died at her home near Norway and the body was convey to the cemetery here for burial the first of the week on a motor truck, accompanied

by a large number of relatives and friends in automobiles. It was the second automobile funeral cortege in the county.

Mrs. Shrivers had lived in the county since 1883, with the exception of one year spent in Chicago. She was sixty-two years of age and besides her husband leaves three children. Percy Shrivers of this place, Mrs. J. D. Foreman of Bellaire, and Mrs. E. V. Post at Norway.

A RUSH TO KANSAS.

Prosperity Stories Flood the State With Knights of the Grip.

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McPherson, Kan., Dec. 3.—"Kansas is full of commercial travelers." So said one of them as his fellow travelers crowded into the station here to take the local south. "You see it's this way," he explained. "Some of the boys who have been working the cotton states have been shifted up here by their offices that have read of the great Kansas crops. Then too there are a bunch

President Ripley Says Rule Here Is for Good Jayhawker Cities.

E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe Railway company, was on train No. 1 a few days ago, going to California. Mrs. Ripley was with him. When the train stopped in Osage City, Mr. Ripley left his business car for a bit of exercise and a whiff of fresh air. When the "all aboard" command reached his ears he was two Pullman lengths away, but that did not disturb him. He waited for his car and then mounted the step with the ease and grace of a conductor on his first run. Mr. Ripley is sixty-nine.

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DON'T GRAB THE TAIL.

Pittsburg Professor Gives Instruc-tions for Catching a Pig.

The story illustrates Mr. Ripley's a couple of porkers in your back yard or a whole herd of them in pens and more full faculty for observation. It is seen everything that is worth seeing, knows everything that is worth seeing by the Santa Fe railway.

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The Bills of Lading Were Nonproductive at Norton.

Norton, Kan., Dec. 3.—An attempt was made Wednesday to work the old forged bill of lading fake on the Moss Grain company at the board of trade here. A man giving the name of J. E. Bell, representing himself to be a member of the firm of Bell Bros. of Densmore, Kan., appeared at the Moss company's office here and deposited bills of lading for six cars of wheat.

He asked for an advance of about \$5,000 on the grain, stating that he was going to buy cattle but would return later.

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of Booster Organization.

Simpson, Kan., Dec. 3.—Over 350 people were the guests of the Simpson Commercial club at its first annual banquet here this week. Members of the club had extended invitations to their large host of farmer friends and over two hundred guests were present from outside the city.

Rev. William Bamfort, the young Methodist minister of Simpson who is one of the town's most enthusiastic boosters, presided as toastmaster, and splendid music was furnished by the Beloit orchestra and the Beloit and Simpson quartettes. The principal addresses were made by Senator Harry McMillan of Minneapolis, and Max Anderson of Beloit. Toasts were responded to by J. W. Shanks, Prof. Lyness, John Trumbull, and a number of others.

The club has only been organized for a few months but it is one of the livest booster organizations in this part of the state and has been helpful to the town in many ways.

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Burton W. Mudge Says Citizens Are as Cheerful as Ever.

"People are happy out here," said Burton W. Mudge of Chicago, presi-dent of Mudge and Company. "In Chicago business has been dull. There Chicago business has been dull. There have been a great many people out of work, but things are now beginning to look better. People are more or less blue in most parts of the country, but as soon as I struck Kansas, everybody seems as cheerful and prosperous as ever."

Mr. Mudge is the son of H.U. Mudge, president of the Rock Island. The younger Mudge lived in Topeka for several years when his father was general superintendent and later general manager of the Santa Fe. He is now at the head of a railway specialty business in Chicago, but is visiting friends in Topeka.

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Junction City, Kan., Dec. 2.—The biggest junk pile in Kansas has been sold. It is the lifetime accumulation of the late John Russ of near Milford. J. H. Richards of Salina, who has purchased the pile, estimates that there will be eighteen carloads of it.

In the pile there are six traction engines, two huge iron wheels that could not be leaded on a wagon without being blown to pieces with dynamite and 1,800 pounds of nails.

The late owner of this immense scrap pile was over 50 years in making the accumulation. The 1,800 pounds of nails had been picked up by him one at a time and thrown on the mountain of junk.

PRAISES THE PRESIDENT.

Head of Peace and Equity League Op-posed to War Measure.

Atchison, Kan., Dec. 3.—Commend ing President Wilson on his attitude toward war agitation, J. B. Chapman, president of the International Peace and Equity league, sent the following telegram to President Wilson Wednes-

day:

"The International Peace and Equity league, through its executive committee in conference here, warmly commends, as patriotic and timely, your stand against war agitation and unwise congressional action favoring enlarged armament of navy and increase of army. In this crisis our country's safety lies in strict neutrality and cool heads."

MEXICAN IS HELD.

Accused of Parsons Murder Brought to Coffeyville,

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Coffeyville, Kan., Dec. 3.—Frank
Mennez, the Mexican track worker
who Saturday night is said to have
shot and killed W. I. Garber, a clothing merchant at Parsons, Kansas, was
brought here Wednesday night from
Cleveland, Okla., where he was arrested.

Mennez is held here for safe keeping, as feeling against him in Parsons
is high. Coffeyville police stated
Mennez sustained two flesh wounds as
a result of the shots fired by a Parsons officer.

Belleville Horses Dying.

Belleville, Kan., Dec. 3.—Quite a number of farmers of this section have been losing their horses from a disease resembling that which visited Kansas and other states two years ago. The horses become wild and finally die after great suffering.

Thieves Clean Clothes Line. Ottawa, Kan., Dec. 3.—Thieves stole \$10 worth of linen and clothing last night from a clothesline in Mrs. H. V. Scruggs' yard. The articles taken were small articles. Mrs. Scruggs says this is the first time she has ever had anything stolen from a line.

is in need of innoculation for disease or is wanted in custody for some other purpose the method to pursue is to catch him by the opposite front leg. Mr. Porker will start just the same as if his tail had been twisted but he will stop much sooner. In half a second after you have caught his leg he will be prone upon his back and completely subdued."

SIMPSON CLUB FEASTS.

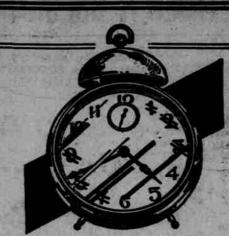
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